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The listed item is cited in an Office Action dated March 25, 2003 in a counterpart European application. An English abstract of DE 3237337 is enclosed. Thus, the requirement for a concise explanation of the non-English reference under M.P.E.P. §609 has been satisfied.

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The claims of the application as now presented are believed to patentably distinguish over the prior art and to be in condition for allowance.

Early and favorable consideration of the case is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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